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Application of:

Alan J. DEMERS et al.

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116
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Examiner: Romero, A.

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Box AF, DIRECTOR OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, DC 20231**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

FEE CALCULATION	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREV. PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	13	MINUS	13	0	\$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	4	0	\$84	\$ 0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of <u>July 2, 2003</u> to and through <u>September 2, 2003</u> , for an extension of: <input type="checkbox"/> One month (\$110) <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (\$410) <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (\$930) <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (\$1450)						\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE:						\$ 0.00

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Payment of \$ ___ by Credit Card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account _____, including any filing fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all correspondence identified as accompanying this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on September 2, 2003.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of July 2, 2003, please amend this application as follows.

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